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Buildings.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1910.

Public Companies.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office, No. 2 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 13th April, 1910, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1909, and of declaring Dividends, &c.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 3rd April to the 13th April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
G. MONTAGUE EDE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1910. [370]

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-FOURTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, No. 2 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 13th April, 1910, at 12.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1909, and of declaring Dividends, &c.

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Secretary.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1910. [371]

Notices of Firms.

CHARGEURS REUNIS.

BY Mutual Agreement between the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes and the Compagnie des Chargeurs Reunis, the HONGKONG AGENCY of the CHARGEURS REUNIS will, from the 1st January, 1910, be transferred to Messrs. P. A. LAPICQUE & CO. (Queen's Building No. 4).

CHARGEURS REUNIS,
P. A. LAPICQUE & Co.,
Agents.

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES,
P. THOMAS,
Agent.

Hongkong, 29th December, 1909. [376]

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the partnership heretofore subsisting between the undersigned carrying on business as SHARE AND GENERAL BROKERS at No. 2 Queen's Road Central, Victoria, under the style or firm of "VERNON & SMYTH," has been DISSOLVED and the interest and responsibility of the undersigned JOHN YARDLEY VERNON in the said firm has CEASED as from the 31st March, 1910.

All Debts due to and owing by the late firm of Vernon & Smyth will be received and paid respectively by the undersigned FRANK SMYTH who will continue to carry on the said business under the style or firm of "Vernon & Smyth."

Dated the 1st day of April, 1910.
(Sd.) J. V. V. VERNON.
(Sd.) F. SMYTH. [379]

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THE best TONIC for keeping in perfect health in the Tropics.

It is a liquid food in predigested form, containing all the bracing, soothing and tonic effects of the choicest hops. Nearly Non-alcoholic.

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SIEMSEN & CO.,
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Hongkong, 13th December, 1909. [380]

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THERAPION No. 1—The Sovereign Remedy for discharges, suppurating injections, gonorrhea, etc., in the back and legs, and all disorders resulting from venereal disease, and all venereal diseases.

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THERAPION No. 3—The Sovereign Remedy for all venereal diseases, secondary and tertiary, syphilis, skin eruptions, and all venereal diseases.

COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S RUBBER QUOTATIONS.

April 2, 4.30 p.m.
The following quotations for rubber shares by wire, are supplied by Messrs. R. S. Kadoorie & Co.:

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| Allagars | 57/5 |
| Anglo-Malaya | 57/5 |
| Batigars | 57/5 |
| Batu Tigas | 57/5 |
| Beratom | 57/5 |
| Bukit Kajangs | 57/5 |
| Bukit Rajahs | 57/5 |
| Caray Uniteds | 57/5 |
| Castelfields | 57/5 |
| Changkat Serdangs | 57/5 |
| Cheras | 57/5 |
| Damansaras | 57/5 |
| Eastern Internationals | 57/5 |
| Fed. Selangors | 57/5 |
| Glenfields | 57/5 |
| Glensteds | 57/5 |
| Golcondas | 57/5 |
| Golden Hopes | 57/5 |
| Highlands and Lowlands | 57/5 |
| Indragitis | 57/5 |
| Inch Kenneths | 57/5 |
| Jeques | 57/5 |
| Jonglandons | 57/5 |
| Kamunings | 57/5 |
| Kuala Lumpors | 57/5 |
| Laundrons (fully paid) | 57/5 |
| Laundrons (ppd.) | 57/5 |
| Labus | 57/5 |
| Ledburys | 57/5 |
| Lingies | 57/5 |
| London Ventures | 57/5 |
| Merlimans | 57/5 |
| Pajams | 57/5 |
| Peghs | 57/5 |
| Rubber Tracts | 57/5 |
| Sagras | 57/5 |
| Sandycrofts | 57/5 |
| Sekongs | 57/5 |
| Shelfrds | 57/5 |
| Singapore & Johores | 57/5 |
| Sumatra Paras | 57/5 |
| Sungei Chobas | 57/5 |
| Sungei Kapars | 57/5 |
| Sepongs | 57/5 |
| Seefields | 57/5 |
| Tandjongs | 57/5 |
| Tangkabs | 57/5 |
| Ulu Rantus | 57/5 |
| United Serdangs | 57/5 |
| United Singapores | 57/5 |
| United Sumatras | 57/5 |
| United Langkats | 57/5 |

PATATING.

Perating, March 25th.
A special wire from London states that Patating is declaring a final dividend for the year of 75% making 125% for the year.

PORT DICKSON RUBBER COMPANY.
The following were the outputs of dry rubber from the Estates of the above Company—
December 21st lbs; January 545 lbs; February 510 lbs.

GIRLS AND BALL DRESSES.

"Can a Modest Girl wear a Ball Dress?" is the subject of an article in M. A. P. by Mrs. Coulson Kerahan. She says—
"I am asked whether a modest girl can wear a ball dress. Firstly, the only immodesty seems to me to lie in the necessity for raising the question."

"I grant that there may be some natural shyness in the mind of a modest girl who for the first time finds herself in a ball dress, just as a recruit feels, shy the first time he wears uniform. But in the girl's case, as in the recruit's, the shyness comes of strangeness. Habit in such matters is everything. I think it is Emerson who says that, when a white man once asked a more or less nude Indian, 'If he did not feel cold when so much of him was uncovered, the Indian replied: 'But your face has no clothes.'"

"Oh, my face," said the white man, 'I am accustomed to going about with my face uncovered, and so I don't notice it.'"

"Then me all face rejoined the Indian, 'He meant, of course, that being accustomed to going about only partially clothed, he did not think about it. In such matters, as I say, usage is everything. Certain Eastern nations, for instance, insist on their women going about with more or less covered faces, and consider our Western women shameless in exposing their faces.'"

"We English are so insular, so accustomed to count all that we do right, and all that other nations do wrong, that it does not often occur to us to ask ourselves, 'Is it possible that there is something to be said for the foreign point of view?' I think that a little consideration will incline us to see reason in the Eastern standpoint in regard to the covering of a woman's face. Is there anything that lays bare the real woman as does the face?"

"Looking into a woman's face we read passion, inclination, or repulsion in large for all to read. Her face reveals her thoughts; be they innocent or bold, a thousand times more intimately than the lowest of low bodices could reveal them. Though I am not arguing in favour of covering the faces of our Western women; I am compelled to admit there is something to be said for the point of view of the Eastern nations."

"Coming back to the English girl, however, I need hardly say that no really modest girl would wish to appear in a ball dress cut too low in the bodice. She should do nothing to take away from the charm of her flower-like freshness. To see a young girl's bodice laid bare to the world is one of the most lovely sights the world can offer. I honestly believe, in spite of male jesters to the contrary, that the sight is as pleasing to women, young or old, as it is to the cavalier who is so ready to see in it a sign of the girl's modesty. It is in no way inconsistent that a modest woman

should have dropped to a young girl in a coming ball dress of that really modest woman could wear, given cut as they are, some times seen in Society."

"A story is told of a certain bishop who took in to dinner a woman who had the bad taste to wear a bodice cut immodestly low."

"So you took Mrs. Blank in to dinner, did you?" said a friend of the bishop's. "How was she dressed?"

"The hall I saw, was not dressed, was the reply, and I don't know if the other hall was dressed, for I didn't look under the table."

"I believe that all men men disapprove as strongly of these lavish displays as nice women do. Yes, and some men who are not also object equally. I recollect a man who was by no means a puritan, going to a function at a house where the women were all what I might call under-dressed, and he remarked to a friend afterwards: 'When I looked at those women, I thanked Heaven that they were not my womenkind.'"

"My theory is, as I have said, that a modest girl may feel shy in wearing her first ball dress, but never shame. If she feels shame, if she is unduly self-conscious, and thinks about her neck being bare, something of the charm and the bloom of her beautiful fresh maidenhood is missing. If there should be a new blush on her cheek, it should come from the excitement and pleasure of the new surroundings; the novelty of the first ball, not of self-consciousness, which tells that something of innocence is gone."

"Disillusionment may or may not come with later years, but while our girls are girls, let us try to keep them so. For this reason I dislike that class of picture where boys and girls are represented as kissing each other, which we see in some Christmas numbers, and which are entitled 'Little Sweethearts,' or some such name. Young folk will learn to kiss soon enough—perhaps too soon—without being encouraged after this fashion. Let them be healthy boy and healthy girl as long as they can be. Do not transplant the flower that is unfolding its beauty in the garden naturally, to the hot-house, where it will be forced into premature bloom."

"A young man recently remarked to the writer: 'There is no such thing as the fresh young girl in Society now. The girl of eighteen has all the knowledge and all the arts of her mature sister.' The misery of it is that there was much truth in the man's words, and the dress the girl wears has nothing at all to do with it."

"A girl can be immodest in a high dress as easily as in a low one. If her mind is sullied by the devouring of harmful literature, by communing with coarse-minded friends and with herself about subjects she should leave alone, then she gives the impression of immodesty, whether her neck be covered or bare and the converse is equally true."

"A young girl's ball dress must not be cut too low, or there will be people who will be scandalized; but not many trouble in the least about the subjects she chooses for conversation with her companion in the dance; or that she should smile when something is said which ought to call up a blush."

"Our grandmothers would have bleached crimson over some of the stories the young girl listens to and laughs at to-day. The art of blushing bids fair to become a lost one. To show shame or disapproval of a vulgar story in some circles is to be put down as hopelessly provincial. The young girl breathing such an atmosphere must suffer morally. Her first evening dress is not the pivot on which the decline and fall of her modesty turns. It is nothing new to her. It does not come as a shock. Has she not seen her mother wearing a bodice so low cut that the marvel is that it retains its position at all?"

"White is considered the most becoming colour for the 'coming-out' gown of a young girl, and why? Because white is the emblem of purity. How many remember this? Let the maiden be sweet, and true, then it cannot much matter that her neck should be bare to the gaze of men. No eyes will look upon her fair loveliness but in reverence."

Intimations.

LEGAL.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that from and after TUESDAY, the 28th March, 1910, the Office of the undersigned Solicitors and Notaries, will be REMOVED to the First Floor of PRINCE'S BUILDINGS, Ice House Street, (opposite the King Edward Hotel).

JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1910. [386]

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Intimations.

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INSPECTION SOLICITED.

Hongkong, 21st January, 1910. [377]

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LD.

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THE OFFICE OF TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF WILL, ATTORNEY, &c. Undertaken and Executed. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 10th March, 1910. [378]

NOTICE.

MR. LI HON FAN, a Chinese graduate, versed in literature, has been a teacher to European officials and merchants in this Colony for over ten years.

He has a good method of teaching Europeans to pass in the Chinese examination, and is possessed of a first rate certificate as a Chinese teacher. He has also a good knowledge of Mandarin.

Those who intend learning the Chinese language are requested to write care of Hongkong Telegraph office or direct to 37, Hollywood Road, and floor. Hongkong, 1st January, 1910. [379]

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Hongkong, 28th March, 1910. [381]

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F. BLACKHEAD & Co., SHIPCHANDLERS, RAILMAKERS, COAL AND PROVISION MERCHANTS, NAVAL CONTRACTORS AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS, GROUND FLOOR, ST. GEORGE'S BUILDING, HONGKONG.

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EVERY KIND OF SHIP'S STORES AND REQUISITES ALWAYS IN STOCK AT REASONABLE PRICES. Hongkong, 10th March, 1910. [382]

A TOO STABLE. LEIGHTON HILL ROAD, (next to No. 1, Police Station).

HAS established a SHOEING FORGE at Leighton Hill Road where Horses and Ponies can be shod by EXPERIENCED SHANGHAI FARRIER by arrangement. Shoeing of Horses and Ponies also undertaken at Kowloon on receipt of Owners' instructions.

At the Stables or anywhere in Hongkong, \$2 per animal. At Kowloon, \$3 per animal. A TOO STABLE, Leighton Hill Road. Hongkong, 23rd March, 1910. [372]

JAPANESE MASSAGE.

MASSAGE MEIJI SHA, GRADUATE OF KOBE MESSAGE SCHOOL.

ATTENDANCE AT PATIENTS' RESIDENCE, No. 17, WANCHAI ROAD, GROUND FLOOR. Hongkong, 10th January, 1910. [383]

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HONGKONG and KOWLOON.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1910. (28)

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DEATH.

On March 29, 1910, at Shanghai, Edwin Redmond, Yu-Shing Cotton Mill, aged 38 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, APRIL 4, 1910.

"ORIENTAL ART" FICTIONS.

Mr. Charles McMin writes as follows to the *Calcutta Statesman*—Mr. Havell in his "Indian Sculpture and Painting" makes many attacks upon the British Government for its neglect of Oriental Art. He also denounces the abysmal ignorance of the *Statesman*. One of his weightiest jests is taken from a Persian manuscript in the Imperial Library. In order to show what honours and emoluments were heaped upon Indian artists, both by Moslem and Hindu rulers, he quotes the salaries paid to those who were employed on the Taj and other buildings. The three principals received monthly salary of Rs. 2,000 each, which, it is true, equalled treble the sum at the present value of money. In addition he remarks, "they received titles of nobility." The present writer has examined the manuscript in question with the kind assistance of the library officials. It is true that Ustad Eas, Amnat Khan, and Mahomed Hanneh, whose names should be honoured by all lovers of art, received Rs. 2,000 as monthly salary, and so far Mr. Havell's statement of the miserly British and enology of the generous Moslem is supported, but he omits to record that the Taj was built by the Emperor Shah Jahan, and that the Taj was built by the Emperor Shah Jahan, and that the Taj was built by the Emperor Shah Jahan.

Two men being from Shiraz in Persia and one from Candahar. All the highly paid builders and decorators except two were foreigners. They had been invited from Arabia, Damascus, Baghdad, Bokhara, Samarcand, Constantinople, their names and birthplaces are given. Four Hindus, all from Kanauj—Chotay Lal, Chiranj, Manabir Sing, Manna Lal—received salaries of from Rs. 200 to Rs. 400 monthly, while fifteen Moslems, nearly all from the far distant West and North, received about Rs. 500 to Rs. 1,000. As Mr. Havell consulted this volume and then denounced in this text the hostility to Indian art which the British exhibited, it would have been more candid to tell the whole truth, viz., that the Mogul also had imported his master craftsmen from the West, employed the Hindus as humble subordinates, and would not even trust Moslem brethren who had been domiciled to design or construct the tomb of his Empress. It is very interesting to discover that Kanauj, which had been a capital city of the Hindus five centuries before, but was in Shah Jahan's time a mere large village, still apparently contained some survivors of its old art schools. It is extraordinary that a liberal minded ruler like Shah Jahan could not find any master craftsmen to help him in the great cities; Agra was a commercial and political centre for them all. Sir George Birdwood is never weary of lauding the polytechnical cities of India whose flourishing industries and artistic crafts have now perished. What were they doing that they could not contribute a single master craftsman to the Taj? In my opinion they did not aid in the noble art aims of the great Mogul because there was not in India then, or ever, and city which could justly be called the home of many high class arts and crafts, as Florence, Constantinople, Paris, Munich, undoubtedly were. All ideas to the contrary are the result, it may be, of generous sympathies, but of meagre knowledge. Personally, I never sit down to my day's work without some specimen of Oriental art on my table, but truth is truth, and not one man in ten thousand in India has any real taste for beauty in art or in nature. It is not because life is too hard. One million fakirs have leisure enough for enjoyment of a sunset in the Himalayas, for instance. Did anyone even notice them gazing at the ethereal vision, than which Earth hath not anywhere a scene more fair? Often have I watched gangs of labourers in the Himalayas by the hundred, merry, bright, winsome lads and lasses, young, old, laughing, jesting, frolicking; never a moment's pause to gaze at glory around. It was ever thus.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Secretary of State for the Colonies has, it is reported, been in communication with the Registrar-General and the Royal Statistical Society with regard to the taking of a census of the whole of the Empire in the spring of next year.

AN anti-British agitation is growing in the United States over the question of Manchurian railways. Keen regret is felt in London at this state of affairs, seeing that the British Government through no fault of its own is placed in an embarrassing position.

A QUANTITY of wreckage has lately been washed ashore at intervals in the neighbourhood of Moseil Bay. A most significant object is a cushion marked 'W' while a hatchway which was found three weeks ago has been sent to the builders of the missing liner *Waratah* with a view to identification.

THE sale took place at the Public Works Department, this afternoon, of Island Lot No. 1848 adjoining I. L. 1095 on Bonham Road. The lot contains an area of about 9,000 square feet carrying an annual rental of \$52. The upset price was \$1,800. There was no competition at the sale, and the land was sold at \$50 above the reserve to the Venerable Archdeacon Barnett, who bought it on behalf of the Church Missionary Society.

IMMIGRATION Sergeant Taylor this morning prosecuted a Chinaman for bringing fifteen Chinese into the Colony. In connection with the same case, a boarding-house *fakir* was charged with assisting a certain party who went on board to meet one of the immigrants for the purpose of taking him to his country, which idea did not appeal to the *Johi*, whose only thought was the prospect of a commission. The case was remanded.

THE B. N. *Borneo Herald* of 16th ult. says:—Capt. Wardrop was summoned to Kimanis on 7th. On arrival there he found the body of Mr. Ayres, Assistant on Kimanis Estate, lying in the verandah of the house. He had been shot through the head. Death appears to have been caused by an accident but the fact will be held to-day. The body was brought to Jesselton by train the same day. Mr. Barrant and Capt. Wardrop had made all necessary arrangements and the funeral was attended by all the Europeans in Jesselton.

A TOKIO despatch, of 29th ult. to the *N. C. D. News* says:—Prince Tsai Tao, the Imperial Chinese Commissioner, and Prince Po Tsang were received in audience by the Emperor, today and took luncheon at the Imperial Palace. His Majesty then decorated Prince Tsai Tao, Prince Po Tsang and the members of their suite. Manoeuvres by the Imperial Guard and the troops of the First Division (also place to-morrow) and there will be field gun manoeuvres, in which three divisions will take part on April 5.

NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA

AN extraordinary general meeting of the National Bank of China, Limited, was held at the offices of the Bank at Queen's Buildings, this afternoon, for the purpose of confirming certain resolutions which were passed at the extraordinary meeting of the Company held on the 19th day of March, 1910. (Mr. C. Evans occupied the chair. There were present:—Messrs. Ellis Kadoorie, P. Davidson and P. Loureiro (Acting Manager).)

The Acting Manager read the notice of the meeting.

The Chairman proposed, and Mr. Ellis Kadoorie seconded, and it was unanimously agreed that the following special resolutions be confirmed:—

That Article 154 of the Articles of Association be struck out and the following Article substituted therefor:—
The Directors shall provide for the safe custody of the Seal and the Seal shall never be used except in the presence of a Director or of some person appointed by a Managing Director or by the Directors who shall sign every instrument to which the Seal is affixed and every such instrument shall be countersigned by the Secretary or some other person appointed by a Managing Director or by the Directors. The meeting then adjourned.

SWABING ON THE COCK'S HEAD.

A SUPERSTITIOUS CONTRACTOR.

The absolute faith of John Chinaman of the simple class in the efficacy of what is known as swabing on the cock's head was once again illustrated, within a short period in the course of a larceny case at the Magistrate's today. A certain Chinaman was charged by Sergeant Pitt with the larceny of 1,910 bricks valued at \$140 from Chan A Kio, the well-known local contractor. Defendant in answer to his Worship vigorously denied having purchased the bricks on the 31st of the Chinese moon on the understanding that the purchase price would be paid on the 24th of the same month, which, however, he failed to do. Both the parties swore so hard to make their story believed that it was suggested that they should settle the matter by swearing on the cock's head, which consisted in a cock's head being chopped off by each of the parties, the ceremony at the same time being accompanied by some strong utterance. Each of the parties intimated that they were agreeable to the suggestion, whereupon Sergeant Pitt and a *lupong* were delegated by his Worship to see that the ceremony was duly carried out in the orthodox style and the case was temporarily adjourned for the result.

When the case was again called in the afternoon, the following interesting dialogue took place:—

His Worship—Did you go to see the ceremony performed?
Sergeant Pitt—Yes, your Worship. Both of them took the oath.

His Worship—What happened?

The *lupong* who accompanied Sergeant Pitt to see the rite performed stated that defendant cut off a cock's head, at the same time declaring that he would die like the cock if what he said was not the truth. The complainant also cut off a cock's head but he dared not to say anything.

His Worship (To the defendant)—Where are the bricks now?—A: Wong-wei-chong.

The whole lot?—Yes.

Will you put the 2,000 bricks back?—Yes.

His Worship (To the complainant)—He was wrong. I think he took them.

Complainant significantly shook his head, as if to say he did not wish to bring down the vengeance of the gods upon him by passing any remark derogatory to the character of the defendant. Later on, he paid all the expenses incurred for the carrying out of the oath, including the price of the cocks and the train fee.

ALLEGED "BABY-FARMING" IN TOKIO.

A bad case of baby-farming has been disclosed in Tokio, resulting in the arrest of a flower vendor named Keijiro Aragawa and his wife, who are charged with the murder of three children. In October 1908, the *Japan Herald* reports, the couple, who lived at Shirokane Tokyo, adopted an illegitimate son of a woman named Tera Udagawa, receiving the sum of Y20 for the maintenance of the child. This child died last January, owing to want of proper nourishment. In the same month they again adopted an illegitimate daughter of a man named Nari to Kato, the sum of Y25 being paid for its maintenance. This child also died from hunger last October. Another daughter of a man named Kichiro Rosugi was adopted by this couple last June, and in this instance they received the sum of Y30. A month later the child was fortunately taken away by its parent on the ground that the couple was not treating the child in a proper manner. In January of this year the couple adopted an infant girl, with whom they received the sum of Y20, and on the 15th instant this child died through lack of nourishment. In connection with the death of the adopted child, a rumour prevailed among the neighbours to the effect that the couple had killed the child, and it was this rumour that led to the discovery of the crime. They were arrested by the Shirokane Police on the 18th ult.

A TELYORA from Sendai, Japan, reports that on the 29th ultimo at about 4 p.m. a fire broke out at Samamachi, Tomyo-cho, Miyagi prefecture. Strong winds quickly drove the flames in all directions and over 100 houses, including the district office, a police station, a post office and a tax office, were completely gutted. The fire raged over 10 hours. It is placed reported that the town was almost completely destroyed.

SPIES IN MANILA

Two Japanese engaged in an effort to secure plans and photographs of the fortifications at Corregidor were arrested on Sunday night by the military authorities and are held in a room at Washington, reports the *Manila Times* of 29th ult.
The arrest of these men brings to an end an intrigue of many weeks' duration. The tale of plots and spies dates back many weeks when a soldier of the Engineer corps excited suspicion by loose talk and the possession of an unusual amount of money.

Several days later he was found taking photographs at Corregidor. An officer took him from him and a day later the man confessed that he had been approached by a Japanese.

He said that he had offered him a large sum of money for photographs and plans, and volunteered to enter into a project to trap him. It seems that several meetings that were watched were arranged and Sunday night was appointed for the final delivery of the pictures and plans and the payment of the bribe money.

Officers were secreted in the house and were within sight and hearing when the two Japanese presented themselves. The soldier produced the supposed plans and an hour was spent in examining and discussing them.

Finally the officers entered the room and covering the Japanese with their guns took them into custody.

The military authorities absolutely decline to discuss the affair but it is known that the two spies are held under guard by the 20th Infantry and that the soldier who figured in the plot is confined to Fort Santiago.

It is also known that all of the facts have been transmitted to Washington and that the military authorities here are awaiting the instructions of Secretary Dickinson.

The Japanese consul has taken no action and it is doubted that he will do anything beyond formally inquiring into the facts. The members of the Japanese colony insist that their countrymen were not trying to secure the plans for their Government but were to the employ of a European power probably Germany.

That statement excites amusement even though it may be impossible to connect the Japanese government with their activities. As a matter of fact they may have gone into the venture on their own account, knowing that they could dispose of any really valuable information to their government.

Even though these men were caught and handed in a plot to obtain this secret information. It is doubtful that anything can be done to them. There is no local or federal statute that makes their conduct a crime, and in the end they will very likely be taken to a steamer and told to depart from the Philippines.

The military authorities will not talk about the soldier who figured in the affair but it is very likely that the next transport will carry him to the United States.

That he was corrupted at first seems manifest but it is also true that when he was caught the pictures he voluntarily confessed and did his best to defeat the scheme and deliver the spies who approached him.

Joseph P. Saxe, the private of Engineers who was approached by Japanese in a plot to obtain photographs and plans of Corregidor and later assisted the military officials in defeating the plot and capturing the spies, has had eleven years of continuous service in the United States Army.

He enlisted first in the Second Cavalry in 1891 and later enlisted in the regular service. He served three years in Troop F, Fourth Cavalry and after that three years in Troop F, Thirteenth Cavalry. He next had three years' service in Companies H and F of the Engineer corps. He re-enlisted on September 14, 1908 and is at the present time a first class private in Company H. His record as a soldier is a good one.

He had become a photograph expert and latterly much of his work has been in that line. He did a large amount of photographing during the Carnival this year and in that connection became known to a number of the officials and attaches of the carnival.

Saxe is of German parentage and was born in Chicago, 33 years ago. He learned the barber's trade in Chicago and from that city went south and was living in Louisiana when the Spanish war began. Both of his parents are living and sit home now in Waterbury, Connecticut.

Saxe is held within the limits of Fort Santiago and will be sent to the United States by the next transport. Just what will be done with him has not yet been determined.

The two Japanese prisoners continue in the custody of the Twentieth Infantry, whose commanding officer oddly enough is Colonel Iwano, late attaché at Tokyo. They are held at Court de Esp. A, closely guarded. It is said that one of them took his arrest very coolly but that the other is sulky and rebellious.

If the military authorities have received any instructions from Washington as to them they have made nothing public. However, it is exceedingly probable that the Japanese will shortly be sent out of the country unless some body finds a law under which they may be punished for their action. The Japanese consul has not taken any steps as to them.

It is strongly suspected that there was a third Japanese who failed to appear at the trap set for Sunday night. The money promised to Saxe, said to be \$10,000, was not found and it is believed that the third man was in some way connected with the plot.

There is no explanation for his failure to appear because he has not any warning he would have tipped the officers. The house was watched Sunday by Japanese residents of the neighbourhood and it is believed that the American officers who were the spies by being on Sunday and Sunday in the morning.

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DISTURBANCE IN SHIP STREET.

HIGH JINKS BY A QUARTETTE OF SAILORS.
As the result of a hilarious time in Ship Street between eight and nine o'clock last night, Manuel Ramon, Tulido, Hanganote, Carlos Augusto and Manuel Figueroa, all from the *Varco de Gama*, appeared before Mr. E. R. Hallifax, First Police Magistrate, in the Police Court this morning on charges of disorderly conduct, assault and damaging a door to the tune of 30 cents. It appears that shortly after eight o'clock, P. O. Attwell saw one of the buxjackets chasing a Chinaman with a stool in his hand and he naturally proceeded to the latter's assistance. The P. C. gripped hold of one of the peace-disturbers' arms but by way of showing the policeman that he disagreed with his interference, the jolly fellow brought the stool in contact with the Bobby's forehead, but fortunately the wound inflicted was of a very trivial nature. About an hour later, P. O. Attwell was urgently summoned by the mistress of one of the houses with the remark that another member of the boisterous party was making short work of her door. The P. C. called to his assistance members of a military picket who were stationed in the neighbourhood at the time and proceeded to the scene of the disturbance, where they had the privilege of witnessing a few exhibitions of the pugilist's art, the sailor striking the private on the eye with the aid of his fist. Meanwhile, P. C. Palo tackled another member of the quartette some distance away and between the two guardians of the peace and the military men a fourth man, who was taking a prominent part in the brawl, was also captured. This morning, two of the defendants were each fined \$5, while the third was mulcted, in the sum of \$5. The door-smasher was ordered to pay 30 cents' compensation to the mistress of the house.

THE IMPERIAL MARITIME CUSTOMS.

SIR ROBERT HART'S HEALTH.

London, March 29.

Sir Robert Hart is mending very slowly from the touch of paralysis that he had in December, but the doctors are satisfied with his condition.

Commercial circles here understand that Sir Robert Hart is to be employed in some way by the Shuiwuchu, but it is uncertain what this means.

The appointment of Mr. F. A. Aglen, as regarded as excellent. He assumes his duties as Acting Inspector-General immediately.—*N. C. D. News.*

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

FIRE IN THE CITY.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, 2nd April.

On the morning of the 1st instant a fire broke out in Yuen Chung street close to the south gate in a paper shop. The conflagration soon spread over a large area and continued to burn for over two hours. Nine buildings were burnt to the ground, before the fire was got under control.

A sampan was capsized in the harbour by the wash from the propellers of a Hongkong steamer yesterday afternoon on her arrival here from Hongkong. There were at the time of the accident five persons on board the sampan and they were thrown overboard. Fortunately immediate assistance was rendered by the people in the vessels near by, and they were all saved, but their belongings were lost.

THE MACAO QUESTION.

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PAR EAST IN PARLIAMENT

ORIENTAL SCHOOL

In the House of Commons on March 7th Mr. Montagu (Under Secretary for India) stated in answer to Mr. Lloyd (C. West Staff.) that the Secretary of State for India had appointed a Committee, over which the Earl of Cromer had been appointed to preside, to prepare a detailed scheme for the institution of a School of Oriental Languages upon the lines recommended in the report of Lord Reay's Committee, would include Lord Curzon, the Lord Mayor, Sir Charles Hardinge, Sir Charles Lyall, and Dr. Frank Heath, Director of Special Inquiries and Reports to the Board of Education.

CHINESE LABOUR

The Master of Ellbank, replying to Mr. Verney, said the last of the Chinese labourers in South Africa were, he understood, sailing that day. In January 1907, when the maximum number of Chinese were employed, the number of white labourers on the Rand mines was 17,198. In December last the number had increased to 23,077. As to the effect on the mining industry the output of gold in 1906-7 was £26,640,000, in 1907-8 £28,568,000, and in 1908-9 £29,959,000.

THE OPIUM REVENUE OF INDIA.

(9th.) Mr. Stewart asked the Under-Secretary for India what revenue had the Indian Government derived from opium exported to China during the last ten years; and what annual revenue is estimated from the new duty on silver.

Mr. Montagu: The average net revenue from opium exported from India beyond the seas for the ten years ending 1908 was £3,774,034 a year. Approximately two-thirds of this was derived from the trade with China. The net additional revenue from the new duty on silver is estimated at £365,000 in 1910-11.

OPIUM IN HONGKONG AND THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.

In reply to Mr. T. Taylor, Colonel Seely said: In the case of the Straits the Colonial Government are putting themselves in a position in which they will be able to exercise very considerable control over the traffic in opium. As regards Hongkong I understand that the last remaining divans were closed on Feb. 28. The House may rest assured that both His Majesty's Government and the Colonial Government will continue to exercise energy and vigilance in pursuance of their policy, and the Governors of Hongkong and the Straits shall be asked to include in the annual reports of their respective Colonies an account of the measures taken to regulate and restrict the consumption of opium and of their effect. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. T. Taylor asked if the hon. and gallant member could say what further steps were being taken in Hongkong to check the habit of opium smoking.

Colonel Seely: I thought my hon. friend would have been so glad to hear that the last divans were closed at the end of last month that he would have been content without further information, but if he will give me notice I will give him what further information I can.

In reply to Mr. Rees, Colonel Seely said: The Government, both here and at Hongkong have considered the whole matter and have taken measures which we hope and think will check the abuse of opium smoking and at the same time prevent the use of alternative drugs.

THE SALE OF CHINESE PORK.

Mr. Fell inquired whether the President of the Board of Trade was aware that bacon which was said to have been manufactured from Chinese pork was now being offered for sale at much below the market price and described as best Wiltshire sides, cured in England; and if so, seeing that this description was a fraud upon the consumer and the Wiltshire curers; and a breach of the Merchandise Marks Act, what action he proposed to take.

Mr. Buxton, in reply, stated that his attention had not hitherto been directed to the allegations. If the hon. member was in possession of any evidence that a breach of the Merchandise Marks Act had been committed he should be happy to consider it with a view to deciding what action, if any, it might be advisable to take in the matter.

THE OPIUM CONFERENCE.

Mr. T. C. Taylor inquired of the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs whether he had, on behalf of His Majesty's Government, accepted the invitation of the United States to an International Conference at the Hague on the subject of international regulation of the traffic in opium and kindred drugs; and, if so, when would the Conference take place?

Sir E. Grey: The proposal is still under the consideration of His Majesty's Government.

EXPORT OF OPIUM FROM INDIA.

(March 10) Mr. Montagu, in reply to Mr. T. Taylor, said: In undertaking, in response to the request of the Chinese Government, that the Indian opium traffic with China should, if certain conditions were fulfilled, be brought to a close within ten years, His Majesty's Government contemplated a statement that would be final and that was within the capacity of both countries to carry out, with due regard to the magnitude of the changes involved and interests affected. In this spirit it was accepted by the Chinese Government, which has not expressed a desire to re-open the question. The strict fulfilment of Indian share of the agreement has imposed serious burdens on the Indian Government and on the Native States of India. His Majesty's Government are not disposed to disturb the settlement arrived at with the Chinese Government.

Mr. T. Taylor: Do I understand that there has been no recent decrease in the income from opium in India?

Mr. Montagu: There has been a decrease.

This Chamberlain who tried to commit suicide on Saturday morning by jumping into the harbour has been sent back to his country.

LINGGI PLANTATIONS

A MATTER OF TRUST

The following circular has been issued to the shareholders of Linggi Plantations, Limited:—For some time past the directors have been considering the advisability, as a matter of prudence, of creating a reserve for the Linggi Plantations, Limited, additional to that accumulated from profits on the issues of shares and already invested in the property, firstly, in a manner that would in any way take from the profits which are accruing to the company from the working of its own properties, and secondly, in some form which would not be affected by any future depreciation in the value of rubber or rubber shares. The directors have felt that if the Linggi Plantations, Limited, were possessed of a large reserve invested in some form which could, if so desired, be converted into gold—regardless of the future course of the Rubber Market—it could not be looked upon otherwise than as giving great additional strength to the financial position of the company.

The Linggi Plantations, Limited, are entitled to call for allotment of 105,000 "B" shares of the Kamuning (Perak) Rubber and Tin Company, Limited, of £1 each, fully paid (referred to hereinafter, for the sake of brevity, as Kamuning "B" shares). These form part of the purchase consideration for the sale, in August, 1909, of the Kamuning Estate. The value of these shares for realisation necessarily depends on the position and market price of rubber; and, whilst there is no apparent reason to doubt the permanent and continued success of sound rubber cultivation in the Federated Malay States, the directors feel that it would not be wise, in view of the present exceptional opportunity to create a special and independent reserve, to disregard past experience, of the uncertainty of all other tropical agriculture, and, at a time when this company is making large profits in the ordinary course, to neglect to put something aside to meet unforeseen possibilities, whether the result of a check to the industry from internal or external causes. This proposed reserve can be established without trenching on the distributable income derived from the Linggi Estates themselves.

The directors are of opinion that the present condition of the market should be availed of to convert into cash their rights as regards a part at least of the 105,000 Kamuning "B" shares, this cash to be reinvested in some sound security such as would be quite unaffected by any decline in rubber. The directors have accordingly decided to dispose of their rights in 60,000 of the Kamuning "B" shares amongst the shareholders of the Linggi Plantations, Limited, in proportion to their respective holdings, as on February 28th, 1910, at the price of £2 for every Kamuning "B" share, the balance of 45,000 shares being retained pending further consideration. The directors of this company are, however, informed that it is the intention of the board of the Kamuning (Perak) Rubber and Tin Company, Limited, to recommend the sub-division of each of the "B" shares into 10 shares of the nominal value of 2s. each, with a view to the assimilation into one class of the "A" and "B" shares (subject to the distinction that at the present moment only 1s. per share has been called up on the "A" shares), and that the necessary steps are not being taken to effect this change in the "B" shares. The result of this alteration will be that the 60,000 "B" shares referred to above will be converted into 600,000 shares of 2s. each.

The secretaries, in a further circular, say:—The directors have been asked by shareholders to create facilities for the more ready exchange of the company's shares between buyers and sellers, and they have decided to avail of the company's power to issue bearer warrants on the customary terms and conditions. We are instructed to inform you that if you should desire to exchange your existing share certificates for warrants to bearer and will so inform us, we will, on your application, send you a form of request, which should be returned with your certificates to the company's office, along with a remittance for ad valorem stamp duty and a fee of 1s. for each warrant. Warrants will thereupon be issued in due course in denominations of one share, five shares, ten shares, 25 shares, 50 shares and 100 shares—as may be required by you. The inland revenue stamp duty amounts to 1s. 6d. on each warrant for 1, 5, 10, 25 shares, and 3s. on each warrant for 50 shares. (F. and B. March 4.)

By the Dutch mail steamer *Oranje* on Friday morning Father Bragaca returned to Singapore, but as the rule of the Portuguese Government requires all officials when returning from leave to report themselves personally to the Colonial Secretary at Macao, Father Bragaca had to take the *Assaye* on Saturday for Hongkong en route to Macao. On his return to Singapore in about a month's time he will resume the vicarship of the Church of St. Joseph here.—*Singapore Free Press*.

The brown dog drinking fountain at Battersea, which the borough Council has decided by forty-eight votes to four to have removed, has long been the object of hostile demonstrations on the part of London medical students. The effigy is that of a dog said to have been done to death in a hospital, and it was placed there by antivivisectionists. It will now be returned to the donors. It was stated that the guarding of the memorial by special policemen has cost Battersea £700 per annum.

AMONG recent benefactors, Sir Robert Laidlaw's donation of Rs. 75,000 to the European Education fund will deservedly rank as one of the best bestowed and most magnificent, says a Calcutta paper. There are many men who make money and spend it freely, but in such cases it is not always well spent. Sir Robert Laidlaw is certainly not one of the latter. The history of his charities in Calcutta reaches well back into the days when he was by no means a millionaire. Now that he is one his charities keep pace with his fortune—the richest of all known benefactors.

COMMERCIAL

TODAY'S RUBBER QUOTATIONS

April 4, 4.30 p.m.
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| Pegohs | | 57/- |
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| Saggas | | 200/- |
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| Sekopps | | 37/6 prem. |
| Shelfords | | 9/6 |
| Singapore & Johore | | 512/0 |
| Somatra Paras | | 117/3 |
| Sungel Chobis | | 120/- |
| Sungel Kapars | | 190/- |
| Sapongs | | 46/- |
| Seafords | | 155/- prem. |
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VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

BOXING AND WRESTLING COMPETITIONS.

On Saturday night at the V. R. C. the above competitions took place. The gymnasium was well packed with spectators and some good fighting was seen. The officials were Mr. A. Rodger, referee; Messrs. H. J. Gedge and W. S. Bailey, judges; Messrs. T. Meek and C. Bunji, time-keepers; Mr. R. L. Bridge, M. C.; Messrs. A. L. Alves, J. A. S. Alves, A. V. Barros, A. H. Carros, O. R. Chanyut, J. Forbes and J. Rodger, working committee.

LCE. BEROT FINCHER vs SEAMAN JONES.

The first fight was one of six two-minute rounds between Lance-Sergeant Fincher of the Buffs, 9th St. Lbs., and Seaman Jones of H.M.S. *Kent*, 10 st. The sailor had the advantage in weight, but both men fought a good fight. In the first round there was a good deal of give and take, but in the following two rounds Fincher was gaining the mastery. In the fourth round the sailor picked up and a heavy right swing of his staggered Fincher. Soon after this he was floored but got up before time was up. In the last two rounds both fought well, Fincher scoring points rapidly. The referee declared him the winner.

STOKER WHITE H.M.S. *Belford* vs SKY KERRISON H.M.S. *Kent*.

While 10 st. mat Sky Kerrison lost 2lbs. in the next bout of ten (two minute rounds). Kerrison proved himself the better man and Stoker White was knocked out in the early part of the fight.

I. E. CHUNYUT vs. A. R. ELLIS.

This was a six two-minute round contest for thebantam-weight championship of the V. R. C. The fight was a good one and Chanyut proved himself infinitely more skillful. Ellis was unable to use his right, as he met with an accident some time ago which dislocated his right wrist. Had he been able to use his right he should have stood a better chance. Chanyut was declared the winner.

Mr. Gedge then presented Chanyut with a silver cup, and remarked that he had improved greatly in boxing and had put up a good fight that night.

The text item in the programme was a CATCH-AS-CATCH-CAN.

wrestling match between Seaman Reedy, H.M.S. *Belford*, and Lance-Corporal Spittell, The Buffs. The decision was for the best of three pin falls. This proved to be the best event of the evening's programme, and one of the longest that was witnessed in the Colony. The decision was a draw.

SEAMAN RINGGILL vs. SEAMAN MUSTARD. This was a ten two-minute round fight, and ended in a draw. The fight was a fast and exciting one throughout, and the referee found very little difference between the men, and the above decision was accordingly announced.

MAIN EVENT.

This event did not prove quite as interesting as the spectators expected. It was somewhat of a disappointment through Seaman Roberts, of H.M.S. *Kent*, 8 st. 8 lbs., and Drummer Boucher, of the Buffs, 9 st. 6 lbs., being unopposed. The fight was one of two-minute rounds for the lightweight championship of the Orient. Roberts had his opponent in the early part of the fight, and his movements were far superior to those of the drummer. In the fourth round the latter was put *hors de combat* with a left jolt on the jaw. The fight continued for another two rounds in which the drummer delivered good defensive punishment. The sixth round brought the fight to a close, when Boucher was driven to the boards and was counted out. Roberts was declared the winner and retained the title.

CRICKET LEAGUE

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB "A"

TELEGRAMS AND DODWELLS

This match took place on Saturday afternoon at the Cricket Ground and resulted in an easy win for the Club. This also put them on top of the league table.

| | | |
|--|-------|-----|
| W. Manning, b. Claxton | ..... | 14 |
| E. C. Oliver, b. Pearce | ..... | 45 |
| A. H. Young, run out | ..... | 1 |
| W. E. Warburton, c. Mackenzie, b. Pearce | ..... | 8 |
| W. W. Waterhouse, c. Aubrey, b. Pearce | ..... | 20 |
| R. E. H. Oliver, c. Mackenzie, b. Pearce | ..... | 26 |
| C. T. Hove, c. Claxton, b. Makin | ..... | 11 |
| R. B. Beattie, b. Claxton | ..... | 11 |
| F. Matson, c. Claxton, b. Pearce | ..... | 2 |
| S. Luck, c. Makin, b. Claxton | ..... | 12 |
| C. E. Shields, not out | ..... | 0 |
| Extras | ..... | 6 |
| Total | ..... | 136 |

Bowling Analysis.

| | | | |
|---------|----|---|----|
| O | M | R | W |
| Makin | 13 | 2 | 51 |
| Claxton | 11 | 1 | 34 |
| Pearce | 10 | 1 | 34 |
| Aubrey | 2 | 0 | 10 |

HONGKONG "A"

| | | |
|---|-------|-----|
| T. E. Pearce, b. Shields | ..... | 41 |
| Dr. Aubrey, c. Waterhouse, b. Oliver | ..... | 74 |
| J. Hall, c. Beattie, b. Waterhouse | ..... | 29 |
| H. R. Makin, not out | ..... | 23 |
| H. Hancock, c. Luck, b. Young | ..... | 32 |
| A. A. Claxton, c. b. Young | ..... | 0 |
| Hon. Dr. Atkinson, c. Luck, b. Waterhouse | ..... | 0 |
| P. Jacks, not out | ..... | 13 |
| Elfring, A. Mackenzie and R. Long did not bat | ..... | 0 |
| Extras | ..... | 6 |
| Total | ..... | 144 |

Bowling Analysis.

| | | | |
|------------|----|---|----|
| O | M | R | W |
| Oliver | 10 | 2 | 49 |
| Young | 9 | 2 | 21 |
| Shields | 7 | 0 | 51 |
| Waterhouse | 4 | 0 | 15 |

ROYAL ENGINEERS' CRICKET CLUB.

This match was decided on Saturday and resulted in an easy victory for the Engineers. The individual scores and analysis are as follows:—

| | | |
|--|-------|-----|
| Cpl. McGregor c. b. Currie | ..... | 23 |
| Cpl. Davison, lbw Currie | ..... | 1 |
| S. Sgt. Power, c. R. F. Lammer, b. Curry | ..... | 67 |
| Pie. Tins, not out | ..... | 65 |
| Cpl. Osman, c. b. b. Bass | ..... | 17 |
| Cpl. Campion, c. Bass, b. Currie | ..... | 1 |
| Cpl. Harrison, b. Currie | ..... | 4 |
| Cpl. Taverne, b. Lammer | ..... | 10 |
| S. S. Keane, not out | ..... | 1 |
| Spr. Smith and Jeremiah did not bat | ..... | 0 |
| Extras | ..... | 2 |
| Total | ..... | 211 |

Bowling Analysis.

| | | | |
|-----------------|---|---|----|
| O | M | R | W |
| S. Batiward | 5 | 0 | 30 |
| P. Currie | 8 | 0 | 73 |
| L. Lammer | 5 | 0 | 61 |
| R. Bass | 1 | 0 | 30 |
| C. Higginbotham | 1 | 0 | 14 |

C.C.C.

| | | |
|--|-------|----|
| W. H. Vivas, b. Osman | ..... | 0 |
| R. A. Carvalho, st. Power, b. McGregor | ..... | 3 |
| R. F. Lammer, c. S. S. b. Osman | ..... | 18 |
| R. Bass, c. Trus, b. McGregor | ..... | 0 |
| L. A. Rose, lbw McGregor | ..... | 1 |
| J. D. Noria, c. Trus, b. McGregor | ..... | 6 |
| L. E. Lammer, b. McGregor | ..... | 9 |
| P. Currie, c. Taverne, b. Osman | ..... | 0 |
| C. J. Higginbotham, not out | ..... | 0 |
| A. S. Gomez, Jr., c. Jeremiah, b. McGregor | ..... | 0 |
| S. B. Batiward, not out | ..... | 0 |
| Extras | ..... | 3 |
| Total | ..... | 43 |

Bowling Analysis.

| | | | |
|---------------|---|---|----|
| O | M | R | W |
| Cpl. Osman | 6 | 0 | 16 |
| Cpl. McGregor | 6 | 0 | 24 |

Events Coming.

Monday, 4th April.

Philharmonic Concert, at City Hall, 9.15 p.m.

Tuesday, 5th April.

Organ Recital, at St. John's Cathedral, 5.30 p.m.

Wednesday, 6th April.

R. A. Sports D.S.R.C. Ground Kowloon. Hughes and Hough Auction sale of furniture, 2.30 p.m.

Saturday, 9th April.

Boxing at City Hall, 9 p.m.

Tuesday, 12th April.

A.D.C. "Mice and Men" 9 p.m.

Italian Convent Golden Jubilee Entertainment, 4.30 p.m. The Governor presiding.

Wednesday, 13th April.

Union Insurance Society of Canton, annual meeting, noon.

Chios Traders' Insurance Co., annual meeting, 11.30 p.m.

A.D.C. "Mice and Men," 9 p.m.

Friday, 15th April.

Hughes and Hough Auction sale of furniture, at the "Delick" Robinson Road, 2.30 p.m.

Saturday, 16th April.

Hongkong Jockey Club half-yearly meeting, 12.30 p.m.

First Gymkhana meeting.

Hughes and Hough Auction sale of furniture, at the "Delick" Robinson Road, 2.30 p.m.

A.D.C. "Mice and Men," 9 p.m.

Saturday, 23rd April.

V.R.C. Sports, at the Football Club Ground.

Hongkong Jockey Club Half-Yearly meeting, 12.30 p.m.

Today's Advertisements.

THE HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

ANNUAL FOOTBALL DINNER.

MEMBERS are reminded that the ANNUAL FOOTBALL DINNER will take place at the Hongkong Hotel, on SATURDAY next, the 9th inst., at 8 p.m. Members should notify the Hon. Secretary by Thursday evening, the 7th inst., if they intend to be present, also enclosing the names of any guests they may have invited.

A. G. RAVENHILL,
Hon. Secretary,
Hongkong Football Club.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1910. [296]

IN THE MATTER OF THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER COMPANY, LIMITED AND REDUCED.

AND

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE NO. 1 OF 1865.

THE Petition for an Order confirming the Special Resolution, herein reducing the Capital of the above-named Company, to £500,000, having been heard before the Supreme Court of Hongkong and the Special Resolution having been duly confirmed by the said Court, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the sum of \$5 as Capital will be returned and paid on 8th April, 1910, to all Shareholders (standing on the register) of shares of the value of \$10 each and \$5 bonus to all Shareholders (standing on the register) of shares of the value of \$1 each on the 8th day of April, 1910. The Register will be closed on the 7th day of April 1910, and the 8th day of April 1910. All shareholders must produce their scrip for endorsement upon making application for payment as above.

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| CEBU & ILOILO | "SUNGKIANG" | 11th " 4 P.M. |
| MANILA | "TEAM" | 12th " 3 P.M. |
| TSINGTAU, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and NEWCHOWANG | "NANOHANG" | 12th " 3 P.M. |
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For further information, apply to DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Agents.

Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, 4th March, 1910.

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JAVA-ASIATIC S.S. CO.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO, (Taking through Cargo to Los Angeles).

THE Steamship

"STRATHSPEY"

will be despatched for the above Port on or about FRIDAY, the 6th April.

For Freight and further information, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1910.

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REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL (With Liberty to Call at Malabar Coast)

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG

FOR NEW YORK AND BOSTON

S.S. "DAGRE CASTLE" On 12th April.

For Freight and further information, apply to DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, Agents.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1910.

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THE AMERICAN AND ORIENTAL LINE.

FOR NEW YORK

(With Liberty to Call at the Malabar Coast).

THE Steamship

"INVERIC"

will be despatched for the above Port on TUESDAY, the 26th April.

For Freight, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBURG & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1910.

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CHARGEURS REUNIS.

(FRENCH STEAMSHIP COMPANY).

(ALL ROUND THE WORLD LINE).

REGULAR FREIGHT SERVICE

TO SAN FRANCISCO, MEXICO, PERU, CHILE, RIVER PLATE, BRAZIL.

The steamers of the CHARGEURS REUNIS Co. proceed from YOKOHAMA DIRECT to SAN FRANCISCO, without any call en route (affording a fast regular cargo boat service from China and Japan to San Francisco).

THE Steamship

For further information apply to T. A. LIPICOW & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1910.

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Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM BOMBAY COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"ASSAYE"

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where such consignments will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo—

From London, &c., ex *St. Morris*.

From Calcutta, ex *S.S. Malta* and *Somali*.

From Persian Gulf, ex *S.S. N. and D. S. P. S. N. Co.'s Steamer*.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary within 6 hours.

Goods not cleared by the 6th April, at 1 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representatives at an appointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1910.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM HAMBURG, ANTWERP, MIDDELSBRO, LONDON, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship

"MONMOUTHSHIRE"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co.'s Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 6th instant, at 6 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

All damaged packages must be left in Godown, where they

ROBBERS ESTATE RETURNS.

| | Jan. | Feb. | Total. |
|---------------------------|--------|---------------|---------|
| Allagar | 2,000 | 1,350 | 3,350 |
| Anglo Malay | 45,306 | 49,718 | 95,024 |
| Ayer Molek | 1,344 | — | 1,344 |
| Ayer Kuning | 200 | — | 200 |
| Balgonale | 8,607 | 7,500 | 16,107 |
| Banteng | 1,300 | 1,250 | 2,550 |
| Batu Caves | 6,100 | 10,124 | 16,224 |
| Berang | 12,500 | 10,000 | 22,500 |
| Bukit Kajang | 3,140 | 937 | 3,077 |
| Bukit Rajah | 35,314 | — | 35,314 |
| Bukit Lintang | 2,000 | 2,500 | 4,500 |
| Carey United | 5,550 | 6,000 | 11,550 |
| Cawfield | 3,374 | 7,138 | 10,512 |
| Changkat Serdang | 7,806 | — | 7,806 |
| Cicely | 10,000 | — | 10,000 |
| Consolidated Malay | 13,332 | — | 13,332 |
| Caladonia | 20,000 | 14,760 | 34,760 |
| Damansara | 14,795 | — | 14,795 |
| Edinburgh | 4,500 | — | 4,500 |
| Federated (Sg.) | 10,950 | — | 10,950 |
| F.M.S. Rubber | 23,860 | 22,179 | 46,039 |
| Gedong | 5,000 | 7,100 | 12,100 |
| Glebe | 850 | 1,045 | 1,895 |
| Glenside | 1,893 | 1,719 | 3,612 |
| Golden Hope | 3,398 | 3,748 | 7,146 |
| Golconda | 10,528 | — | 10,528 |
| Harpenden | 5,045 | — | 5,045 |
| High & Lowlands | 43,176 | 40,724 | 83,900 |
| Ich Kenech | 13,137 | 11,144 | 24,281 |
| Jebong | 10,000 | — | 10,000 |
| Kapar Para | 7,866 | — | 7,866 |
| Kalampong | 7,595 | — | 7,595 |
| Kamuning | 6,400 | 5,509 | 11,909 |
| Kempsey | 7,514 | 5,224 | 12,738 |
| Kepong | 2,350 | — | 2,350 |
| Kuala Klang | 1,244 | — | 1,244 |
| Krian Rob. Est. | 7,732 | 1,630 | 9,362 |
| Kuala Lumpur | 45,131 | 41,175 | 86,306 |
| Labu | 12,863 | 9,344 | 22,207 |
| Labrador | 28,577 | 20,558 | 49,135 |
| Laburn | 8,048 | 8,020 | 16,068 |
| Liangi | 58,000 | 57,500 | 115,500 |
| London Asiatic | 8,911 | 7,555 | 16,466 |
| Malacca Hunt | 20,000 | 27,000 | 47,000 |
| North Hummock | 18,823 | (to end 1909) | — |
| Nova Scotia | 5,150 | 4,900 | 10,050 |
| Palam | 1,000 | 1,350 | 2,350 |
| Pataling | 14,100 | 13,547 | 27,647 |
| Pekoh | 3,423 | 3,043 | 6,466 |
| Perak Plant | 11,031 | — | 11,031 |
| Ribu Rubber | 5,000 | 4,314 | 9,314 |
| Rubana | 10,350 | 9,970 | 20,320 |
| Rubber Growers Ass. | 2,374 | — | 2,374 |
| Sergat | — | 4,068 | 4,068 |
| Selaba | 3,000 | 2,100 | 5,100 |
| Sungei Chub | 2,850 | 3,150 | 6,000 |
| Sungei Kapar | 17,100 | — | 17,100 |
| Sandycroft | 9,848 | 6,438 | 16,286 |
| Seaford | 9,000 | 8,500 | 17,500 |
| Selangor | 33,993 | — | 33,993 |
| Seremban | 23,377 | 17,820 | 41,197 |
| Sengwang | — | 4,279 | 4,279 |
| Shellford | 4,000 | 5,700 | 9,700 |
| Spore & Johore | 8,166 | 6,535 | 14,701 |
| Singapore Para | 5,000 | 4,300 | 9,300 |
| Straits Rubber | 20,000 | — | 20,000 |
| Sungai Sak | 1,376 | 1,500 | 2,876 |
| Tali Ayer | 10,000 | 9,000 | 19,000 |
| Tong | 2,133 | — | 2,133 |
| Vallambrosa | 36,000 | — | 36,000 |

[From the end of February all totals are calculated for the calendar year instead of the financial year, which differs with many companies. Managers of Estates, returns for which to above list are incomplete, will help to make the list more useful if they will kindly fill in the gaps.]

COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

| Selling. | |
|--------------------------------------|---------|
| London-Bank T.T. | 109 1/4 |
| Do. demand | 109 3/4 |
| Do. 4 months' sight | 109 7/8 |
| France-Bank T.T. | 232 1/2 |
| America-Bank T.T. | 45 |
| Germany-Bank T.T. | 130 1/2 |
| India T.T. | 131 1/2 |
| Do. demand | 132 |
| Shanghai-Bank T.T. | 74 1/2 |
| Singapore-Bank T.T. per H.K. Stoo .. | 75 1/2 |
| Japan-Bank T.T. | 85 1/2 |
| Java-Bank T.T. | 106 1/2 |

Buying.

| | |
|--|---------|
| 4 months' sight L/O | 109 1/8 |
| 6 months' sight L/O | 109 1/8 |
| 90 days' sight San Francisco & New York .. | 45 1/2 |
| 4 months' sight | 45 |
| 90 days' sight Sydney & Melbourne | 15 1/2 |
| 4 months' sight France | 232 1/2 |
| 6 months' sight | 232 1/2 |
| 4 months' sight Germany | 45 1/2 |
| Bank of England rate | 24 1/2 |
| Sovereign | 11 3/4 |

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, Director of the Hongkong Observatory—

On the 4th at 11:55 a.m. The barometer has risen slightly over N. China, and fallen a little over N.E. Japan, and at the stations around the China Sea.

The high pressure area remains over N. China, and pressure is relatively low over the S. part of the China Sea and the S. Philippines. Strong N.E. and E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.0 inches.

FORECAST.

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood, N.E. and E. wind, strong; fair at first, probably some rain later.

2.—Formosa Channel, N.E. wind, strong.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lanchow, same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, same as No. 1.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.
German (*Kaiser*) 5th inst.
German (*Goshen*) 7th inst.
American (*Wongolia*) 8th inst.
Indian (*Ararat*) 8th inst.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. *Siberia* arrived at San Francisco on 1st inst.
The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Empress of Japan* left Yokohama at 3 p.m. on 3rd inst. for Vancouver and Victoria, B.C.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Nora* left Singapore for this port on 2nd inst. at 10 a.m., and is due here on 7th inst. at noon.

The Apat Co.'s s.s. *Ararat* after from Shanghai and Kobe, left Yokohama yesterday, and may be expected here on 8th inst.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. *Manilla* arrived at Manila on 2nd inst., en route to Hongkong, and is due to arrive here on 8th inst. at a.m.

The Imperial German Mail s.s. *Goshen* carrying the German Mails with dates from Berlin of the 6th ult., left Singapore on 2nd inst. at 8 p.m., and may be expected here on 7th inst. at 6 a.m.

Shipping.

Arrivals.
Fritthof, Nor. s.s. 801, O. Andersen, 2nd April—Haiphong 31st Mar. Rice—Aagaard Thoresen & Co.

Amyer, Ger. s.s. 2,189, Toyd, 2nd April—Manila 30th Mar. Gen.—D. & Co., Ltd.
Meeloo, Chi. s.s. 1,330, J. McArthur, 3rd April—Shanghai 1st Mar. Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Verona, Ger. s.s. 2,695, F. Kilmann, 3rd April—Kobe 6th Mar. Gen.—G. & Co.
Mathilde, Ger. s.s. 837, E. Pohlen, 3rd April—Peking and Hainan 1st April Gen. and Pigs—J. & Co.

Liangchow, Br. s.s. 1,215, H. Harder, 3rd April—Tientsin, Chefoo and Tientsin 19th April Gen.—B. & S.
Abdulla, Br. s.s. 1,350, J. B. Harris, 3rd April—Shanghai 31st Mar. Gen.—B. & S.

Hainan, Br. s.s. 1,831, J. S. Roach, 3rd April—Swatow and April Gen.—D. L. & Co.
Phum Penh, Br. s.s. 1,095, J. H. Scott, 3rd April—Saigon 30th Mar. Rice and Gen.—W. & S.

Deucalion, Br. s.s. 4,476, W. N. Evans, 3rd April—Singapore 29th Mar. Gen.—B. & S.
Eastern, Br. s.s. 1,547, W. G. McArthur, 3rd April—Kobe 30th Mar. Gen.—G. L. & Co.

Glenfarg, Br. s.s. 2,071, W. Hartnall, 3rd April—Shanghai 31st Mar. Ballast—S. T. & Co.
Yangtze, Br. s.s. 4,140, J. P. Ford, 3rd April—Amoy 2nd April Gen.—B. & S.

Barton, Br. s.s. 2,408, W. J. Thompson, 3rd April—Moji 28th Mar. Coal—M. & Co.
Mandarin, Br. s.s. 3,245, K. Shimidzu, 4th April—Miki 30th Mar. Coal—M. B. K.

Coblenz, Ger. s.s. 3,350, H. Rügen, 4th April—Sydney 18th Mar. and Manilla 24th Gen.—M. & Co.
Kiachang, Br. s.s. 1,218, Robertson, 4th April—Amoy 3rd April Gen.—B. & S.

Tosa Maru, Jap. s.s. 1,085, Y. Nomura, 4th April—Moji 30th Mar. Gen.—N. Y. K.
Yuen-sung, Br. s.s. 1,128, P. H. Rolfe, 4th April—Manila 1st April Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Tjibodas, Dutch s.s. 4,660, P. Z. V. Emmerich, 4th April—Amoy 2nd April Coals and Gen.—J. O. L.
Kiang Ching, Chi. s.s. 1,002, A. F. Brissander, 4th April—Chickiang 31st Mar. Gen.—Tong Lee.

Den Ogi, Br. s.s. 2,522, "D. Hemming, 4th April—Canton 3rd April—Standard Oil Co.
Loyal, Ger. s.s. 1,137, F. Nitzsch, 4th April—Canton 3rd April Gen.—S. W. & Co.

Choy-sung, Br. s.s. 1,424, M. Courtney, 4th April—Shanghai via Swatow 28th Mar. Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Afro, Br. s.s. 1,618, R. Rodgers, 4th April—Manila 2nd April Sugar, Hemp and Gen.—S. T. & Co.

Departures.
April 5.
Sahine Rickmers, for Balak Pappan, Kalang, for Amoy.

Tamlin, for Saigon.
Dajin Maru, for Swatow.
Balem, for Karatas.
Halyang, for Swatow.

Johanna, for Saigon.
Lanang, for Saigon.
Linau, for Shanghai.
Hong Wen, for Amoy.

Hongkong, for Shanghai.
Manila, for Saigon.
Momonkhaira, for Shanghai.
Quinta, for Saigon.

Jacob Diederichsen, for Haiphong.
April 4.
Glenfarg, for Amoy.

Kwangle, for Shanghai.
Boulder, for Shanghai.
Momonkhaira, for Yokohama.

Passengers arrived.
Per *Manila*, from Shanghai—Mr. Geo. B. Ray and 37 Chinese.

Per *Hainan* from Swatow—Mr. and Mrs. Barton and 4 children, Dr. and Mrs. Van Bock dan child, Master J. Thom and 180 Chinese.

Per *Choy-sung*, from Shanghai via Swatow—Mr. and Mrs. Chang Yim Puh. From Shanghai—Mr. and Mrs. Iseu Shih Chai, from Swatow—Mr. and Mrs. Kieischka and child.

Per *Kiang Ching*, from Manilla—Messrs. B. S. Santos, Joaquin Makuray, Salvador Franco, R. Lacerda, Major A. P. Blockson, Dr. Maria Martin, and 40 Chinese.

Per *Amoy* from Shanghai—Mr. and Mrs. Tolckman and child, Capt. J. Cogan, E. Cassin, Garnier, Doonall, Cameron, Lindstedt, Gilman, Norton, Barton and Chuu Ming Hung and son.

Per *Eastern*, from Kobe—Mrs. Okerby, Capt. Holm, Messrs. P. Gordon, G. A. Trill, Capt. Fabel, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Farnes, Misses Farnes, Messrs. Mr. and Mrs. Ackman, Miss Adams, John White.

Per *Coblenz*, for Hongkong from Sydney—Mrs. A. G. Waite, Miss Ella Dudley, and Mr. R. Williamson. From Rabaul—Dr. Leeg, Mr. Schwabing, and Prof. and Dr. Premp. From Marous—Mrs. Mastubule from Yap—Mr. E. H. and Brother Fridolin Hofer. From Manilla—Messrs. C. Schluter, R. Friedlander, A. Hauber, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Jones, Mrs. Strong, Bishop and Mrs. W. A. Oldham, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McLaughlin and 3 children, Mr. and Mrs. A. Sanders. For Yokohama from Sydney—Messrs. C. Rainy, Miss Gladys Montgomery, and Prior, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Eastlake. From Manilla—Mr. and Mrs. Timmer, and Mr. Schutte.

Shi-ping Bahors.
Sir *Verona* from Kobe—The whole voyage had weather with rain.

Sir *Deucalion*, from Singapore—Moderate N.E. wind and clear weather.

Sir *Abdulla*, from Shanghai—Fresh N.E. winds, overcast with heavy rain.

Sir *Choy-sung*, from Swatow—Moderate N.E. winds and overcast weather.

Sir *Tjibodas*, from Amoy—Strong wind, high N.N.E. and E. sea and swell, overcast.

Sir *Eastern*, from Kobe Capt. McArthur reports having left Kobe on March 29, noon and experienced thick rain weather through island sea which necessitated ship anchoring for 10 hours and same weather with strong N.E. winds to Breaker Point, from there to Hongkong cloudy and hazy with light winds.

VESSELS IN PORT.

STREAMEES.
Bourbon, Fr. s.s. 907, Rosa, 30th Mar.—Saloon 27th Mar. Gen.—Man Fat.

Chibbi, Br. s.s. 1,142, Lindberg, 31st Mar.—Sourabaya Gen.—B. & S.
Kempers of China, Br. s.s. 3,045, R. Archibald, K.M.K., 2nd April—Vancouver, B.C. 11th Mar. Ballast and Gen.—M. & Co.

Erroll, Br. s.s. 2,885, J. A. James, 26th Mar.—Liverpool 4th Feb. Gen.—D. & Co.
Germania, Ger. s.s. 600, C. Jopson, 22nd Mar.—South Sea Island via Sydney 27th Jan. Capra—S. & Co.

Hilary, Ger. s.s. 1,276, R. Halse, 31st Mar.—Macassar 22nd Mar. Sugar and Gen.—J. O. L.
Wong W. L. Br. s.s. 7,050, J. H. Hinworth, 1st Apr.—Singapore 16th Mar. Gen.—Joo Lee Sing.

Island, Br. s.s. 735, Chas. A. K. Burton, 24th Mar.—Yokohama 18th Mar. Ballast—O. L. & Co.
Jacob Diederichsen, Ger. s.s. 630, A. Hansen, 1st April—Haiphong 29th Mar. Gen.—J. O. L.

Kamsang, Br. s.s. 2,071, W. G. G. Leask, 31st Mar.—Singapore 25th Mar. Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Kamsang, Br. s.s. 4,805, R. C. W. Bradley, 30th Mar.—Moji 31st Mar. Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Loyal, Ger. s.s. 1,217, R. Weyman, 28th Mar.—Peking 14th 18th Mar. Gen.—S. W. & Co.
Nanhai, Br. s.s. 1,291, Chas. Wawn 30th Mar.—Saloon 26th Mar. Rice and Paddy—B. & S.

Paoting, Br. s.s. 1,050, E. L. Jones, 10th Mar.—Saloon 4th Mar. Rice—B. & S.
Phranang, Ger. s.s. 1,015, von Mangelsdorf, 1st April—Bangkok 23th Mar. and Koh-chang 24th Rice and Gen.—B. & S.

Protea, Nor. s.s. 1,014, C. Möller, 2nd April—Bangkok via Swatow 23rd Mar. Rice—A. & S.
Quinta, Ger. s.s. 1,000, Schlenker, 28th Mar.—Saloon 23rd Mar. Rice—S. & Co.

Samsen, Ger. s.s. 908, R. Petersen, 30th Mar.—Bangkok 23rd Mar. Rice—B. & S.
Talanau, Chi. s.s. 1,460, Jullissen, 31st Mar.—Saloon 27th Mar. Rice—Walton & Co.

Taming, Br. s.s. 1,350, G. H. Pennefather, 1st April—Manila 19th Mar. Sugar & Hemp—B. & S.

Stoanets Reported.

| Vessel | From | Arrival | Date |
|-------------|-----------|----------------|----------|
| Kleist | Shanghai | M. & Co. | April 5 |
| Nore | Singapore | P. & O. Co. | April 7 |
| Coeben | Singapore | M. & Co. | April 7 |
| Manilla | Shanghai | E. M. Co. | April 8 |
| A. Apar | Shanghai | D. & Co., Ltd. | April 8 |
| Bombay Maru | Bombay | N. Y. K. | April 10 |
| Tenyo Maru | Japan | P. M. Co. | April 12 |

Post Office.
Only fully prepaid letters on postcards are transmissible by the Siberia Route to Europe.

Mails from Europe via Siberia:—
Date of Despatch from London—16th Mar.
Date due to Hongkong—To-morrow
Vessel—Kleist

A Mail will close for:
Haiphong—Per *Erroll*, 5th April 8 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Yochow—Per *Hailan*, 5th April 9 a.m.

Saloon—Per *Brand*, 5th April 11 a.m.
Singapore—Per *Yankee*, 5th April 11 a.m.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per *Kiang*, 5th April 11 a.m.

Macao—Per *Sai Tai*, 5th April 11 a.m.
Manilla—Per *Tamlin*, 5th April 2 p.m.
Shanghai—Per *Choy-sung*, 5th April 3 p.m.

Singapore, Colombo and Bombay—Per *Tenyo Maru*, 5th April 4 p.m.
Yokohama and Kobe—Per *Coblenz*, 5th April 4 p.m.

Haiphong—Per *Mathilde*, 5th April 5 p.m.
Timor, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide, Dunedin, Perth and Fremantle—Per *Eastern*, 6th April 10 a.m.

Batavia, Samarang, Sourabaya and Macassar—Per *Tjibodas*, 6th April 10 a.m.
Europe, etc. India via Taitcorin—Per *Kleist*, 6th April 11 a.m.

Macao—Per *Sai Tai*, 6th April 11 p.m.
Swatow—Per *Hailan*, 7th April 11 a.m.
Macao—Per *Sai Tai*, 7th April 11 p.m.

Shanghai—Per *Amoy*, 7th April 3 p.m.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per *Kiang*, 8th April 11 a.m.

Batavia, Samarang, Samarang and Sourabaya—Per *Tjibodas*, 8th April 11 a.m.
Macao—Per *Sai Tai*, 8th April 11 p.m.

Manilla—Per *Yankee*, 8th April 2 p.m.
Shanghai—Per *Choy-sung*, 8th April 3 p.m.
Macao—Per *Sai Tai*, 8th April 11 p.m.

SHANGHAI VIA SIBERIAN MAIL to Europe—Per *Chinhu*, 9th April 6 p.m.
Kobe and Hainan—Per *Shanghai*, 11th April 3 p.m.

Europe, etc. India via Taitcorin—Per *Kleist*, 11th April 11 a.m.
Singapore, Colombo and Bombay—Per *Tenyo Maru*, 12th April 11 a.m.

Manila—Per *Tenyo Maru*, 12th April 2 p.m.
Tientsin, Wai-hai-wei, Chefoo, and New-Por-Nanchow, 12th April 3 p.m.
Singapore, Penang and Colombo—Per *Yankee*, 12th April 3 p.m.

Yokohama—Per *Yankee*, 12th April 3 p.m.
Kobe and Yokohama—Per *Brand*, 12th April 3 p.m.

Shanghai—Per *Choy-sung*, 12th April 3 p.m.
Manilla, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide, Dunedin, Perth and Fremantle—Per *Yankee*, 12th April 3 p.m.

Manilla—Per *Yankee*, 12th April 3 p.m.
Europe, etc. India via Taitcorin—Per *Kleist*, 12th April 3 p.m.

Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu, San Francisco (Siberian Mail to Europe)—Per *Manilla*, 12th April 3 p.m.

Manilla—Per *Yankee*, 12th April 3 p.m.
Manilla, Yaw, Fr. Wilhelmshafen, Rabaul, Marous, Herbertshöhe, Matupi

SHARE QUOTATIONS

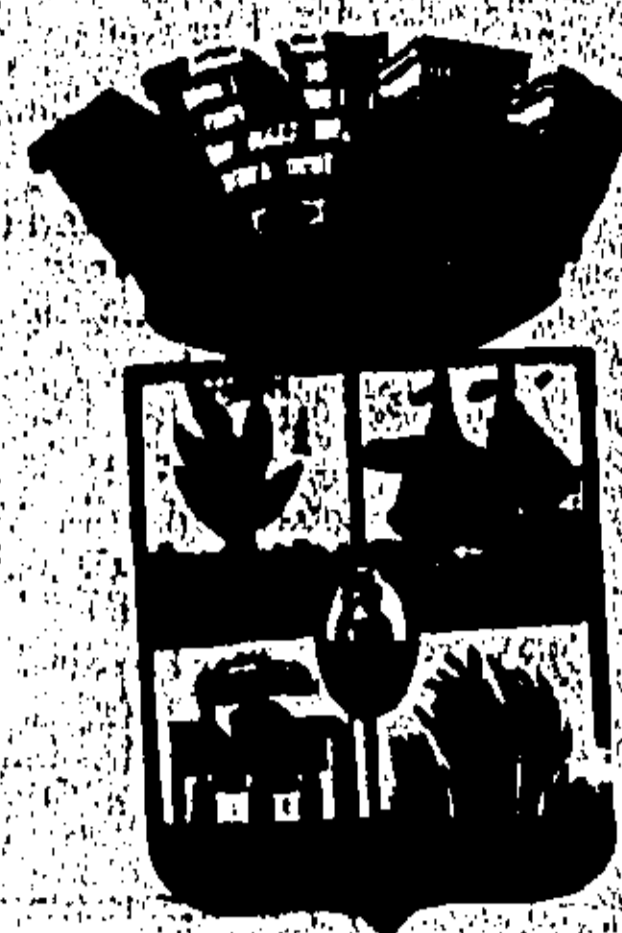
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| STOCKS. | NO. OF SHARES. | VALUE. | PAID UP. | POSITION AS PER RESERVE. | AT WORKING ACCOUNT. | LAST DIVIDEND. | QUOTATION LAST QUOTE LAST QUOTE | CLOSING QUOTATIONS |
|---|-------------------|----------|----------|--|------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| BANKS. | | | | | | | | |
| Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation | 120,000 | \$125 | \$125 | \$1,500,000 \$1,500,000 | \$2,007,819 | £2.5/- for half year ending 31.12.09 @ ex 1/20 = \$15.11 | 4 X | \$260 sellers London 289 |
| National Bank of China, Limited | 99,925 | 7 | 6 | \$4,000 \$4,000 | \$34,554 | \$2 (London 1/6) for 1909 | | \$76 buyers |
| MARINE INSURANCES. | | | | | | | | |
| Canton Insurance Office, Limited | 10,000 | \$250 | \$50 | \$1,500,000 \$154,183 \$150,000 | none | \$10 for 1908 | 7 X | \$170 buyers |
| North China Insurance Company, Limited | 10,000 | 15 | 15 | Tls. 22,000 Tls. 22,000 Tls. 22,000 | Tls. 207,573 | Final of 7/6 making 15/- for 1908 | | Tls. 115 buyers |
| Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited | 12,400 | \$250 | \$100 | \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 | \$2,444,921 | Final of 5/7 making \$47 for 1907 and interim of \$30 for 1908 | 12 X | \$910 buyers |
| Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited | 12,000 | \$100 | \$60 | \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 | \$77,517 | \$12 and bonus \$3 for 1907 | 7 X | \$230 buyers |
| FIRE INSURANCES. | | | | | | | | |
| China Fire Insurance Company, Limited | 70,000 | \$100 | \$30 | \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 | \$375,341 | \$6 and bonus \$2 for 1907 | 7 X | \$109 buyers |
| Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited | 8,000 | \$250 | \$50 | \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000 | \$168,711 | \$27 for 1907 | 8 X | \$337½ buyers |
| SHIPPING. | | | | | | | | |
| China and Manilla Steamship Company, Limited | 30,000 | \$25 | \$25 | \$7,000 \$7,000 \$7,000 | \$1,013 | \$1 for 1908 | | \$7½ b. |
| Douglas Steamship Company, Limited | 20,000 | \$50 | \$50 | \$10,000 \$10,000 \$10,000 | Nil. | \$1 for year ending 30.6.1908 | | \$32 sellers |
| Hongkong, Canton & Yacoo Steamboat Co., Ltd. | 80,000 | \$15 | \$15 | \$12,000 \$12,000 \$12,000 | \$20,166 | Final of \$14 for account 1910 | 8 X | \$30 sellers |
| Kido-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Preferred) | 60,000 | 15 | 15 | \$10,000 \$10,000 \$10,000 | 413,753 | 6/- for 1907 on Preference shares only @ ex 1/9 11/16 = \$3. 164. | | \$70 |
| Do. Do. (Deferred) | 60,000 | | | \$10,000 \$10,000 \$10,000 | | 3rd. in. of 2/- per sh. (comp. No. 12) making in all 4/- for '08 & interim of 1/- for ac. '09 | 5 X | 92/6 buyers |
| "Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited | 4,000,000 | 1 | 1 | \$100,000 \$100,000 \$100,000 | 66,817 | \$1.00 for year ending 10.4.1909 | 4 X | \$250 |
| "Star" Ferry Company, Limited | 10,000 | \$10 | \$5 | \$100,000 \$100,000 \$100,000 | \$2,731 | | 31 X | \$14½ sellers |
| REFINERIES. | | | | | | | | |
| China Sugar Refining Company, Limited | 20,000 | \$100 | \$100 | \$150,000 \$150,000 \$150,000 | Dr. \$5,558 | \$5 for year ending 31.12.08 | 5 X | \$165 ex div. b. |
| Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited | 7,000 | \$1 | \$100 | none | Dr. \$115,804 | \$5 for 1907 | | \$29 sellers |
| Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited | 7,000 | Tls. 5 | Tls. 50 | Tls. 100,000 | Tls. 6.00 | Tls. 10 for year ending 31.12.09 | | Tls. 850 sales |
| MINING. | | | | | | | | |
| Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd. | 1,000,000 | 1 | 1 | \$175,000 \$175,000 \$175,000 | 43 | Final of 1/6 making 3/- for 1909 | 7 X | Tls. 18 |
| Headwaters Mining Company | 60,000 | Pa. 10 | | none | none | First year | | Pa. 10 buyers |
| Raub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited | 150,000 | 1 | 1 | \$4,500 \$4,500 \$4,500 | Dr. 12,191 | No. 12 of 1/4 = 48 cents | | \$8 sales |
| DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS. | | | | | | | | |
| Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited | 18,000 | \$25 | \$25 | \$12,000 \$12,000 \$12,000 | Dr. \$7,481 | \$1.75 for year ending 31.12.06 | | \$12 |
| Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. | 60,000 | \$55 | \$50 | \$150,000 \$150,000 \$150,000 | \$10,108 | None | | \$59 ex div. |
| Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd. | 30,000 | \$5 | \$50 | \$10,000 \$10,000 \$10,000 | \$12,755 | Interim of \$14 for account 1909 | | \$57 buyers |
| Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd. | 55,700 | Tls. 100 | Tls. 100 | Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 1,000,000 | Tls. 6,261 | Interim of Tls. 24 for 1910 | 6 X | Tls. 80 |
| Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Company, Limited | 36,000 | Tls. 10 | Tls. 100 | Tls. 697,257 Tls. 697,257 Tls. 697,257 | Tls. 12,818 | Final of Tls. 6 making Tls. 10 for 1908 | 7 X | Tls. 120 |
| LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS. | | | | | | | | |
| Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd. | 25,000 | Tls. 12 | Tls. 100 | Tls. 15,000 Tls. 15,000 Tls. 15,000 | Tls. 4,134 | Tls. 6 for year ending 31.12.09 | 31 X | Tls. 102 sellers |
| Central Stores, Limited | 10,123 | \$15 | \$15 | \$15,000 \$15,000 \$15,000 | \$24,841 | \$1.20 on old and 60 cents on first new issue (interim of \$2.40 on old and 40 cents on new shares for account 1909) | | \$16 buyers |
| Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited | 12,000 | \$5 | \$5 | \$60,000 \$60,000 \$60,000 | \$19,272 | Interim of 3/- for account 1909 | 61 X | \$107½ ex div. \$83½ ex div. |
| Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd. | 50,000 | \$10 | \$10 | \$10,000 \$10,000 \$10,000 | \$27,711 | 45 cents for 1909 | 6 X | \$81 buyers |
| Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited | 150,000 | \$1 | \$10 | \$10,000 \$10,000 \$10,000 | \$5,471 | \$24 for 1909 | 5 X | \$28 buyers |
| Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited | 6,000 | \$50 | \$50 | none | \$29 | | | |
| Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited | 78,000 | Tls. 50 | Tls. 50 | Tls. 1,513,045 Tls. 1,513,045 Tls. 1,513,045 | Tls. 14,404 | Interim of Tls. 3 for account 1909 | 68 X | Tls. 106 s. |
| West Point Building Company, Limited | 12,500 | \$50 | \$50 | \$100,000 \$100,000 \$100,000 | \$1,058 | Final of 12.5 for account 1909 | 8 X | \$42 sellers |
| COTTON MILLS. | | | | | | | | |
| Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd. | 25,000 | Tls. 50 | Tls. 50 | Tls. 250,000 Tls. 250,000 Tls. 250,000 | 10,991 | Tls. 11 for year ending 31.10.09 | 8 X | Tls. 14½ sales |
| Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited | 25,000 | \$10 | \$10 | Tls. 40,000 Tls. 40,000 Tls. 40,000 | \$9,553 | 30 cents for year ending 31.7.08 | | \$64 sa. & b. |
| International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd. | 10,000 | Tls. 75 | Tls. 75 | Tls. 175,000 | Tls. 2,372 | Tls. 7½ for year ending 30.9.06 | | Tls. 61 sellers |
| Loon-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd. | 8,000 | Tls. 100 | Tls. 100 | none | Tls. 1,820 | Tls. 6 for 1909 | | Tls. 70 sellers |
| Sey Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited | 2,000 | Tls. 500 | Tls. 500 | Tls. 1,273 | Tls. 15,311 | Tls. 5 for 1909 | | Tls. 300 ex div. |
| MISCELLANEOUS. | | | | | | | | |
| Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited | 8,604 | 12/6 | 12/6 | \$1,500 \$1,500 \$1,500 | \$248 | 15 % per share for 1908 | | \$10 |
| China-Borneo Company, Limited | 50,000 | \$12 | \$12 | \$12,000 \$12,000 \$12,000 | Nil. | 60 cents for 1909 | 10 X | \$10½ buyers |
| China Light and Power Company, Limited | 30,000 | \$10 | \$10 | none | \$61,138 | 50 cents for year ended 31.12.06 | | \$62 buyers |
| China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd. | 125,000 | \$10 | \$10 | \$100,000 \$100,000 \$100,000 | \$1,497 | 80 cents for 1909 | 8 X | \$8 sa's |
| Dairy Farm Company, Limited | 40,000 | \$7½ | \$6 | \$1,000 \$1,000 \$1,000 | \$1,891 | \$1.10 for year ending 31.7.09 | 8 X | \$18 buyers |
| Green Island Cement Company, Limited | 400,000 | \$10 | \$10 | \$10,000 \$10,000 \$10,000 | \$1,758 | Interim of 35 cents for account 1909 | 10 X | \$7 ex div. |
| H. Price & Company, Limited | 12,000 | \$10 | \$10 | \$10,000 \$10,000 \$10,000 | \$678 | 8 cents for year ending 31.12.08 | 8 X | \$12 |
| Hongkong Electric Company, Limited | 60,000 | \$10 | \$10 | none | \$5,195 | \$1 and bonus 20 cts. for year ending 29.12.09 | 6 X | \$20½ sellers |
| Hongkong Ice Company, Limited | 5,000 | \$25 | \$25 | \$150,000 \$150,000 \$150,000 | \$7,616 | Final of \$8 for 1909 | 8 X | \$160 ex div. s. |
| Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd. | 60,000 | \$10 | \$10 | \$10,000 \$10,000 \$10,000 | \$8790 | Final of \$1 making in all \$2 for 1909 | 8 X | \$11 sellers |
| Maatschappij tot Rijp, Bosch en Landbouw exploitatie in Langkat, Limited | 25,000 | Ga. 100 | Ga. 100 | Tls. 247,500 Tls. 247,500 Tls. 247,500 | Tls. 316,682 | 4th interim of Tls. 124 for 1909 | 6 X | Tls. 1,625 b. |
| Peak Tramways Company, Limited | 25,000 | \$10 | \$10 | \$10,000 \$10,000 \$10,000 | \$1,204 | 80 cents on fully paid shares and 8 cents on 1st paid shares for year ending 30.4.09 | 6 X | \$15 buyers |
| Philippine Company, Limited | 75,000 | \$10 | \$20 | none | Pa. 18,640 | None | 3 X | \$130 buyers |
| Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited | 20,000 | Tls. 20 | Tls. 20 | Tls. 14,810 Tls. 14,810 Tls. 14,810 | Tls. 5,350 | Final Tls. 5 making Tls. 8 for 1908 | 4 X | Tls. 350 buyers |
| South China Morning Post, Limited | 6,000 | \$25 | \$25 | none | Dr. \$31,096 | None | | \$25 buyers |
| Steam Laundry Company, Limited | 20,000 | \$25 | \$5 | none | 303 | 40 cents for year ending 31.12.09 | 8 X | \$5 buyers |
| Union Waterboat Company, Limited | 50,000 | \$10 | \$10 | none | \$172 | 60 cents for year ending 31.12.08 | 5 X | \$9 sellers |
| United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited | 10,000 | \$10 | \$5 | \$16,000 \$16,000 \$16,000 | \$343 | 60 cents per ord. share for year ending 31.5.09 | 5 X | \$12½ sellers |
| Watson (S.S.) & Co., Limited | 90,000 | \$10 | \$10 | \$300,000 \$300,000 \$300,000 | \$2,613 | Final of 30 cents for 1908 | 6 X | \$6 buyers |
| William Powell, Limited | 15,000 | \$7 | \$7 | none | \$782 | Final of 30 cts. making 60 cts. for the year ended 30th June, 1906 | | \$3 |

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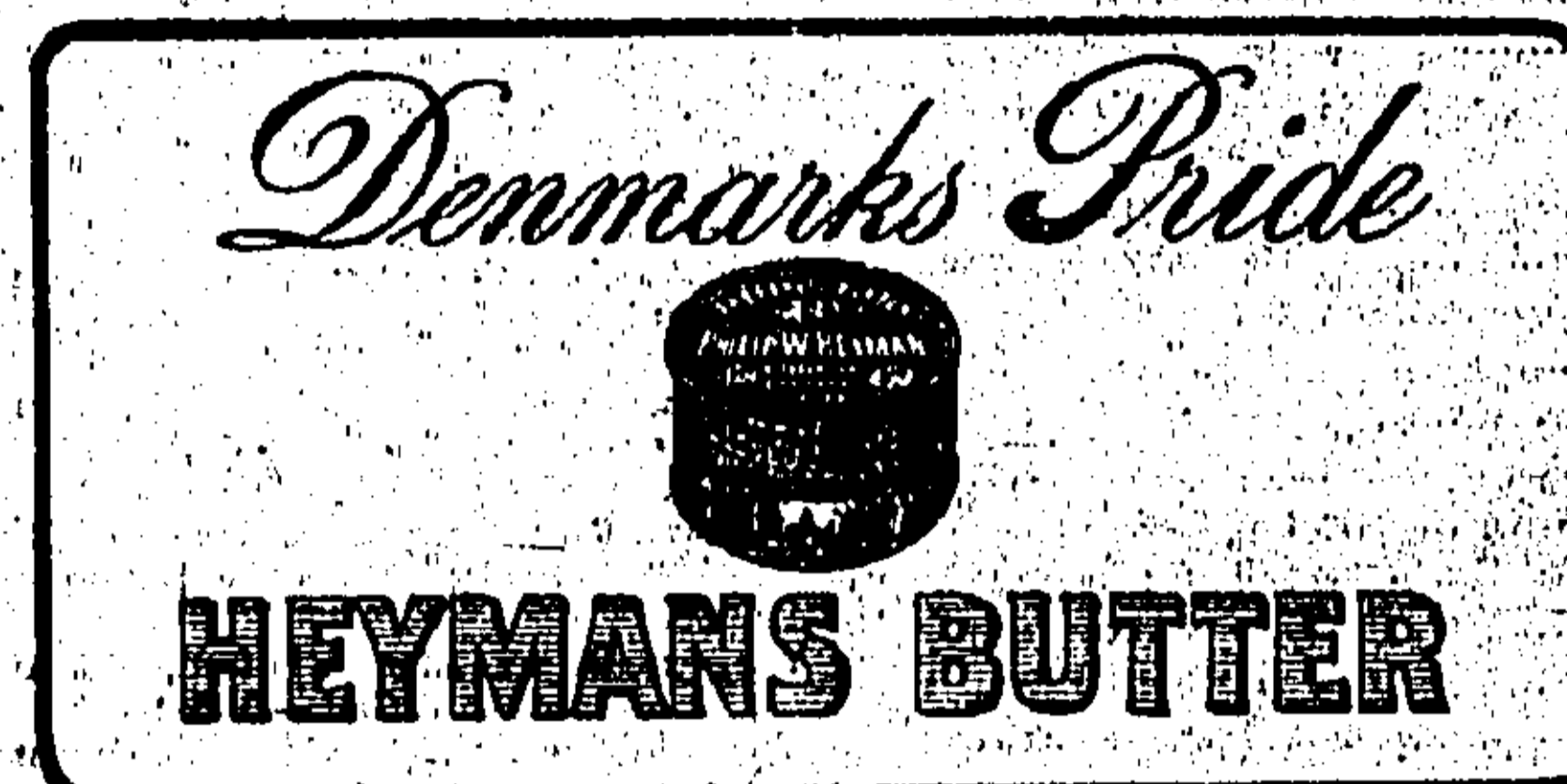
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